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1. In 1950 two branches of the Youth Organization, Art and Athletics (sic) and Fighters Against Fascism, were joined to form the DOSO (Voluntary Organization for Defense Cooperation).1 The purpose of DOSO is to prepare the youth for military service. They are given some training in radio and air raid defense, and those who complete the regular lessons are given the emblem of GTO (Ready for Labor and Defense) with a red star or a red cross.

2. At the end of 1950 the commander of 3 Trudovak Oblast was Colonel Neykov, and the assistant commander was Major Chanov. The 3 Oblast and the trudovak units [redacted] were working on the construction of the airfield at Bezmer. 50X1-HUM

3. [redacted] on 5 May 1951 the unit had about 700 officers and men. At that time the unit was working on the construction of the Balchik airfield. 50X1-HUM

4. At location XK 3228 a runway 60 meters wide and 2,600 meters long was being constructed by 200 trudovaks lead by Lieutenant Colonel Stoychev. The runway was to be paved with cement. It was scheduled to be completed in October 1951, but the work was being hastened so that it could be completed by 9 September 1951, a Communist holiday. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] jet planes would use the field. 50X1-HUM

1. [redacted] Comment: Previous reports have referred to DOSO as a merger of the Union of Fighters Against Fascism and the People's Union for Sport and Technics.

[redacted] Comment: Locations are given in the Mediterranean Zone Grid. 50X1-HUM

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